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Event To Be Televised Live On FOX News From The Whittemore Center At UNH

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CONCORD, N.H. - The New Hampshire Republican Party announced today that it will partner with the University of New Hampshire to present its 2008 presidential debate, which is expected to attract the top Republican contenders for President. The 90-minute debate will be presented live on FOX News Channel (FNC) and FOX News Radio beginning at 9 p.m. ET from the University of New Hampshire's Whittemore Center on September 5, 2007.

Joining FNC and FOX News Radio in presenting the live event will be local radio stations WTSL-AM in Springfield, WGIR-AM in Manchester, WGIN-AM in Portsmouth and WGIP-AM in Exeter, NH.

Fergus Cullen, Chairman of the New Hampshire Republican Party said, "This will be the first major debate after the Iowa straw poll and comes some four months before our presidential primary in early January 2008. It is being held at exactly the time campaigns expect the universe of voters paying close attention to the campaign to expand beyond the activists to include large numbers of other New Hampshire voters."

University of New Hampshire President Mark Huddleston added, "As the flagship public university in the first-in-the-nation primary state, the University of New Hampshire is honored to host this national presidential primary debate on its campus. The New Hampshire Presidential Primary is a Granite State tradition and we are committed to providing opportunities like this for our students, faculty, staff and members of the community to participate in the political process."

The university was founded in 1866 and has a statewide enrollment of over 13,000 students with more than 116,000 alumni around the world. The Whittemore Center Arena at the University of New Hampshire will serve as the official venue of the debate, with over 4,000 audience members expected to attend the event.

Members of the news media who wish to cover the debate are asked to click on the link below and return the press credential form to the University of New Hampshire Office of Media Relations as soon as possible if they want the opportunity to receive debate credentials. Forms should be received by UNH no later than Friday, August 24. For more information on press credentials, contact Erika Mantz at (603) 862-1567.

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